"It is because one man thinks himspector. "I can acount for the frequent arrest in all parts of the country of employes of the postal service, especially clerks in the postoffices and letter carriers, only upon this hypothesis, and that there is an inherent streak in his composition of dishonesty, because he knows better than the public that once we get after postal thieves we never stop until we land them in jail. And still they go on all over the land pilfering from letters, believing themselves safe. It must jar some of them when they tumble into the trap we set.

"It is a matter of corresponding interest to remember that, as these dishonest clerks well know, the trap which places the manacles around their wrists is the same old trap, like the same old bear trap, reliable and certain to hold fast once it is sprung, only it catches their pilfering hand instead of their feet. It is the decoy letter which the postal thief quickly and slyly picks up and secretes about his person or elsewhere, and once it is in his hand the trap is sprung, the hand of the inspector on the case closes about his wrist, and he walks to the station house to ruminate how easily he was caught once the inspector decided upon the man of the force who was guilty among the honest.

"Now, since every postal employe in the United States knows that once the officials are suspicious of theft along his route or postal car run, that the inspectors lay all sorts of traps for him behind the bars, why will they steal money letters with apprehension practically inevitable? Because human nature is the same in all callings, and the postal employee is cast in no different mould than the rest of us; it is only his environment. Yes, they know instantly, instinctively, whether a letter contains money, as a bank teller can tell by the feeling of a bill before he looks at it that it is a counterfeit. We know this, too, and that is the reason why we fish for them with the decoy letter, and land them, thus safe-guarding the the public and the department from

"The decoy letter looks no different from any other letter, and it feels just the same to the dishonest hand of the postal thief as any letter containing money. We usually place three to five marked \$1 bills in the envelope. The instant the fingers of the dishonest man 'strips' along the envelope he knows that it contains money, and he will steal it if he can. His eagerness and disinclination to let any letter with money go by him enable us to catch him when we learn to a certainty the route upon which money letters are

"Some employes are very foxy, and go on a long time before they are detected. They often try to place the guilt upon an innocent carrier in this way. In making up their routes, and getting their mail from the distributing tables, they handle the mail belonging to the other carriers. It is an easy thing to detect money letters in the other fellow's lot, and include them in their own, to be purloinned at leisure and suitable opportunity.

"Suspicion naturally falls upon the innocent carrier and he is placed under secret surveillance. Decoy letters are mailed, and by other means it is endeavored to fix the guilt upon him. If our usual methods fail, we too, become suspicious that an innocent man is being 'worked.' We drop him and try to locate the actual thief, and it is not long before we have him in jail. Sometimes two dishonest employes will work together, but as a rule postal thieves are like the lone highway man and prefer to go it alone.

"You see, the dishonest employe foolishly believes that he can beat the game, and an arrest in a large office only has a temporary deterrent effect

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upon the secret thieves therein. They are more cautious and may perhaps lie low for a brief time, but not for self a tri fle smarter than another that long. It is a singular but true official makes his thoughts run into dishonest | fact that once a man begins to steal channels," said an old postoffice in- money letters he seldom voluntarily quits, and we have had men confess that they had been in this nefarious business for years and would have remained at it as long as they were in the service but for their arrest. It is an easy way to make money for the time being to the clerk or carrier whose salary does not meet his exthe confidence in his cleverness to secrete the money letters, forgetful that with each report or theft the efforts of the inspectors are redoubled to catch him, and the closer are drawn the meshes of the net slowly but surely being entwined around him. Very often the guilty man is positively known to the inspectors for months before they can catch him redhanded, the thief in the meantime believing himself undetected."-Washington Evening Star.

Fell From a Balloon.

Tallapoosa, Ga., May 14.-Meredith Rowe, an aeronaut, in making a balloon ascension here late yesterday afternoon, fell from a height of a hundred feet and was almost instantly

The World's Fair Amusement Company, with a dozen or more tents, had just opened for a week's entertainment. The crowning spectacle of the first day's performance was to be a bal loon ascension and parachute leap, and by the time young Rowe was ready to make his ascension there was hundreds of people crowding the vi-

It was already growing dark when the word was given to cast loose. The big balloon was the cynosure of every eye as it swung majestically upward, with the daring young aeronaut suspended from a crossbar beneath, the folded parachute dangling beneath

A long breath came from hundreds of mouths as the big balloon swept upward, only to be succeeded by another and more awe-stricken moment of excitement, for as the gray sphere reached the height of about 100 feet it suddenly collapsed.

The crowd shuddered. A feeling of horror swept over them as, as with one wild cry, the unfortunate aeronaut came falling to the earth, together with a gray mass of the torn balloon, the net work of ropes and the flapping parachute.

There was a sound of a heavily striking body and all was silent, save for the sudden weeping of many women. Children clung to their mothers' skirts. Men turned their faces away in horror, fearful of looking upon the sight that they knew awaited

As quickly as possible medical aid was summoned, but it was already the dog was a dangerous animal and a seen to be unavailing. Young Rowe never spoke a word, but died within a half hour of his fall. His neck was broken, his back was a mass of bruises. Hardly a whole bone remained in his

From the show management it was learned that the young man was only 19 years of age, although he had made many balloon ascensions, and was regarded as one of the most successful and daring men in his profession. His home is in Evansville, Ind., where his mother and brother still live. The body will be shipped there this after-

The cause for the accident is ascribed to the age of the balloon. It had been in use for a long time, although nobody dreamed it had become dangerously

The accident created the wildest excitement, and little else was talked about last night and to-day. The scene is described as one of the most horrible ever witnessed, more especially so on account of the frightful condition of the body after striking

As Viewed by the Departing Prisoner.

The Rev. Samuel S. Searing, chapiaia of the house of correction, South Boston, frequently has amusing experiences with the prisoners who come under his care. He is required by law to have an interview with every man whose time has expired and who is about to leave the house. It is the chaplain's duty to give the departing prisoner good advice and to exhort freshed, bone muscle and brain, him to be a decent and honorable man

In the course of one of these interviews the chaplain said: "Now, my friend, I hope you'll never have to

The prisoner looked at him thoughtfully and then asked: "I say, chapis poor; there is little nutri- lain, you draw a salary here, don't you?" When Mr. Searing replied in the affirmative, the prisoner remarked: "Well, say, if me and the other fellows didn't keep coming back, you'd be out of a job."-Boston Herald.

> - "Bliggins says he believes that success depends on paying attention to the little things." "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "I have noticed that he attracts a great deal of attention to his own opinions."
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An Unusual Fee.

After a large wedding in Washington the "best man" started at hardly an hour's notice for South Africa. On his return to Washington, after an absence of some eighteen months, he received the warmest sort of welcome from his old associates. A dinner given in his honor afforded the first occasion since the wedding for donning evening dress, and in the midst of the evening, having occasion to feel in his waistcoat pocket for somepenses. He becomes emboldened by thing, he electrified the party by drawng forth a \$100 bank note.

Where had it come from? Who had put it there? His fellow guests had all sorts of suggestions to offer, none of which seemed satisfac-

Early the next morning the truth flashed across his mind. He called upon the clergyman who had performed the marriage ceremony.

"You remember the fact, I suppose," said the visitor, of marrying Mr. H- and Miss G- about a year and a half ago?"

"Oh, very well," answered the clergyman. "I see them constantly. They attend my church."

"Then I hope you will pardon a rather delicate question asked in strict confidence. How much did you receive as your fee on that occasion?'

"I will return frankness with frankness," and the clergyman smiled whimsically. "It was the strangest fee that ever came my way. After the ceremony the best man, with a profusion of thanks, slipped into my hand a small silver of plug tobacco wrapped in a wad of paraffin paper!"-Harper's Magazine.

Judgment of a Solomon.

In a small town in one of the central counties of the State lives an elderly German who, because of the esteem in which he is held in the community, has been elected justice of the darky cotton picker-must surperplexing question.

One of his neighbors is the possessor of a dog. The dog, although not actually vicious, delights in running out of the gate and barking savagely at passers-by. This has been the source of great annoyance to the neighbors, especially to one, who vowed to get even with "the pesky critter." Recently his neighbor was returning from a trip, gun in hand. He was set upon by the dog, whereupon he raised his weapon and fired at the brute. His aim was not very good and the dog ran yelping, minus his caudal appendage.

The owner of the dog had his neighbor hauled before the old justice on charge of cruelty to animals, and the courtroom was crowded with the partisans of both men. The justice heard the charge, and then the defense that menace to the neighborhood. The old German thereupon cleared his throat and delivered the dictum:

"Der man-he has been guilty of gruelty to animals." And one side of the courtroom applauded the justice of the decision.

"But ter tog-he was a vicious

"I vill fine der man fife tollars." Another murmur in the courtroom.

"But I vill gife him anodder shot at ter tog." And both sides cheered. New York Times.

Liked Obituaries.

"Congressmen receive some pretty odd requests some times," said Representative Cornelius A. Pugsley of the Sixteenth district, at a recent dinner of the Sous of the American Revolution. "Often they are just amus-

Not long ago one of my ardent supporters wrote to me at Washington, asking me to send him a volume of all the obituary resolutions and speeches made in Congress since the first session.

"Of course, I answered him that such a record had not been printed; but my curiosity had been aroused, so I asked him also why he made such an odd request. This is the eply that I

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Must the Negro Cotton Picker Go.

Feature after feature of the Old memory at the current rate of change. It might be supposed that so long as feature at least of antebellum daysthe peace. The old gentleman was vive. But even this tuneful and recently called upon to decide a most jovial, if hard-driven, relic of the

past, it appears, must go. A cotton-picking machine has been put on the market, after ten years of experimenting and adjusting, and a contract has just been closed through which the new machinery will be put in operation in Mississippi on a large scale on a Washington County plantation next fall. The inventor of the machine admits that it can be used to advantage only on the level uplands, low valleys and prairie grounds, but success, which seems reasonably assured, within these limitations, will revolutionize the cotton-picking industry in the South. The inventor, it is needless to say, is a Yankee. Thus one Yankee, Whitney, devised the cotton gin, which helped fill the Southern plantations with negroes by making their labor enormously profitable; now another Yankee comes forward with a contrivance which bids fair to reverse the process.-Milwaukee Sentinel.

- The discovery of an old Bible in the barn loft of Sarah Scarskading, in Hurron county, Iowa, will be sufficient to establish the rights of the heirs to the Leonard Case millions. Mr. Case considers it beneath her dignity to tog." And the other side voiced its his millions have never been distri- matter what she knows she is going to died in Cleveland, O., in 1864, and

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Thus it was that one year after the commencing of a fire the department is called upon to put it out. This place has blazed up several times since the day of the fire, and the last time, about five months ago, the department soaked it thoroughly with water. A quantity of grain had been stored on the site where the digging took place yesterday, and it was this grain that has been smouldering all

A considerble crowd of people gathered around the place yesterday, and were astonished at the fact of the fire burning so long, and remarked that all records were broken as to the length in time of burning of a fire by the one in Jacksonville which burned a whole year.-Florida Times-Union and Cit-

Decidedly Unreasonable.

Clara: "Men are the most impa-South is passing and plantation life as ! tient creatures! Harry knows that I it was befo' the wah will soon be a | have an offer from Mr. Oldchap, who is just rolling in wealth, yet Harry is just as unreasonable and babyish as cotton remains the staple in Dixie one if he thought I really cared for that old graybeard. Harry is so ugly about it that he won't do me the smallest favor."

Mother: "What did you ask Harry

Clara: "I merely asked him to wait and be my second husband."-New York Weekly.

Whooping Cough.

A woman who has had experience with this disease, tells how to prevent any dangerous consequences from it. She says: Our three children took whooping cough last Summer, our baby boy being only three months old. and owing to our giving them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, they lost none of their plumpness and came out in much better health than other childred whose parents did not use this remedy. Our oldest little girl would call lustily for cough syrup between whoops —Jessie Pinkey Hall, Springville, Ala. This remedy is for sale by Orr-Gray Drug Co.

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THE STATE OF SCUTH CAROLINA, County of Anderson. IN COURT OF PROBATE.

Emily Swords. John Swords, Earle Swords and H.
P. Sitton. Plaintiffs. against Dorcas O. Conneily, Jane E. Parsons, Rebecca E. Carson, Susan Evatt, Cordy Cason. Rebecca T. Swords, J. B. Swords, Martha E. Thomas, Sarah Massy Swords, and the widow and children of Elam Swords, deceased, names, ages and place of residence un-known, Defendants—Summons for Relief— Complaint not Served.

To the Defendants above named:

To the Defendants above named:

YOU are hereby summoned and required to answer the Petition in this action, which is filed in the office of the Court of Probate at Anderson C. if, S. C., and to serve a copy of your answer to the said Petition on the subscriber at his office, anderson C, H, S. C., within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Petition within the time aforesaid, the Petitioner in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Petition.

Dated April 17, A. D 1902.

SIMPSON & HOOD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

[SRAL] JNO. C. WATKINS, C. C. P.
To the Defendants above named:

To Cordy Cason, Rebecca T. Swords, John B. Swords, Marths E. Thomas and Sarah Massy Swords, and the widow and children of Elam Swords, deceased, whose names, ages and places of residence are unknown. You will take notice that the Complaint herein, and the Eummons of which the foregoing is a copy, were filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court for Anderson County on the 18th day of April, 1902.

BIMPSON fill HOOD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

April 28, 1902

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Notice of Final Settlement. THE undersigned, Executor of the THE undersigned, Executor of the Estate of T. L. Clinkscales, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will on the 19th day of May, 1902, apply to the Judge of Probate for Anderson County for a Final Settlement of said Estate, and a discharge from his office as Executor.

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